

Village of Maple Rapids
Regular Council Meeting
April 7, 2021

Meeting was held by teleconference and in person

CALLED TO ORDER:

President Daryl Trefil (online) called meeting to order at 7:30 pm.
The meeting was opened with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Daryl asked Pro-Tempore Bill Schmidt to conduct the meeting (Daryl stayed online).

ROLL CALL:

Council Present: Bill Schmidt, Amanda VanEtten, Jerry Kissling, Cody Fry, Mitch Leiby, Paul Sorah

Absent:

DPW: Mike Townsend

Fire Chief: Kelby Leiby

Motion made by Amanda VanEtten to approve March 3, 2021 regular council meeting minutes as written. 2nd by Jerry Kissling. Motion carried.

COMMENTS & CONCERNS:

Village resident commented about a neighbor that had contacted the Village about having chickens and had not heard anything back. Diana has spoken with this person twice and told them there is an ordinance against chickens in the Village at this time and if it ever changes, she would contact them.

OLD BUSINESS:

Parks and Recreation committee met and decided to conduct a new park and recreation questionnaire. The questionnaire was mailed out with the water bills. The sidewalk committee met and reviewed ordinance # 13 which deals with sidewalks. They will be making some recommendations on possible updates to the ordinance in the near future.

NEW BUSINESS:

Diana discussed the issue with the DTE bill received for the Community Center. She will keep the Council updated on the situation.

Planning Commission: Wayne Wheeler

Met on March 17th and worked on a rough draft of the Zoning Master Plan. Bill will contact Pete Preston for some guidance. The next meeting is April 21, 2021.

Community Center:

None

FIRE: Kelby Leiby

Fire report was presented for March:	Fire Runs 07	2021 Total 09
	Medical Runs 08	2021 Total 18

Fire and medical runs are up. A property owner of a dwelling has allowed the department to use the home for training. Once the training is completed, they will be burning the structure down. They have also conducted a control burn of a CRP field. Kelby has received an application from Jeremy McAllister. He has 20 yrs. experience with another department but recently moved into our area. We will be joining Ashley Fire Department for Auto Aid. The department will be participating in the National Safe Digging Month Program called 811 Miss Dig Awareness. Kelby recommends hiring Jeremy McAllister.

Motion made by Amanda VanEtten to hire Jeremy McAllister. 2nd by Paul Sorah. Motion carried. The department is in need of 3 Indian Packs, different style of hooks and adapters.

Motion made by Paul Sorah they can use up to \$1000.00 for purchases as requested. 2nd by Amanda VanEtten. Motion carried.

DPW: Mike Townsend:

Last year we applied for a grant for a camera system that could be used in the water and sewer lines. We were not awarded the grant. The Village of Elsie and Ovid-Elsie Schools would like to purchase the camera system along with us.

Motion made by Mitch Leiby to purchase the camera system contingent on Village of Elsie and Ovid-Elsie Schools go in on it with us. 2nd by Paul Sorah. Motion carried.

PRESIDENT: Daryl Trefil

The Category B Grant paperwork for roads is due June 1st, working on getting estimates. We were not awarded the Drinking Water Management Grant. Daryl will be meeting with a village property owner regarding possible commercial use of property. Mike found a report from 2017 regarding the tanks for the property at the corner of Maple Ave. and Water Street.

TREASURER: Mindy Thomas

Reviewed financials for March. Made one item adjustment for 1st quarter budget.

Motion made by Paul Sorah to approve the 1st quarter budget with amendments as presented. 2nd by Amanda VanEtten. Motion carried. Audit will be the week of April 19th.

CLERK: Diana Henry

Handed out forms that need to be completed for Provident Insurance. Workers' Compensation policy will be renewing July 1st. The premium increase for 2021 was \$92.00 dollars.

The statewide moratorium on water shutoffs expired March 31, 2021. Discussed how council would like shutoffs handled on past due accounts. A letter will be sent out to each one with an outstanding balance on an account.

AMBULANCE: Bill Schmidt

The new fiscal year just started. The officers remain the same with Bill as Chairman. Buying a vehicle monitoring system to place in each ambulance.

MISC:

None

Motion made by Paul Sorah supported by Amanda VanEtten to pay bills.
Motion carried.

Motion made by Paul Sorah supported by Amanda VanEtten to adjourn.
Motion Carried.

Adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

Submitted by:

Diana Henry

Village Clerk